



28 OCT 1966

The Honorable Abraham A. Ribicoff
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Ribicoff:

Thank you for your note of 19 October 1966 forwarding the monograph of [redacted] concerning the Vice President serving as titular head of this Agency.

In reading [redacted] proposal, it occurred to me that he may not be aware that the Vice President of the United States is one of the statutory members of the National Security Council and that the Central Intelligence Agency is under the National Security Council and is in all ways subject to its direction.

[redacted] interest and his obvious sincerity are truly appreciated.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard Helms

Richard Helms
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE DIRECTOR

Senator Ribicoff asked for our views on a constituent's suggestion that the Vice President serve as titular head of the Agency. The Senator has already sent a letter to [] stating that he does not believe the suggestion is feasible, particularly as it might affect the Vice President in any diplomacy he might become engaged in. The Senator's office would appreciate a short note of acknowledgment from you which they can forward to []

Recommend signature.

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LAWRENCE R. HOUSTON
General Counsel

25 October 1966
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